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1. Yangpel Pangdatshang, who was in Kalimpong in late April 1951, was the last responsible Tibetan official remaining in India.* He expressed his willingness to travel to Calcutta or New Delhi if he could be assured of any possible benefit to be derived from conversations with American officials in those cities. Failing such assurance, he intended to return to Yatung and abandon attempts to get aid from the western nations.
2. According to Yangpel Pangdatshang, Shakabpa reported to the Tibetan Government that the advice he had received from representatives of the United States was to the effect that the United States was unable to help Tibet, and the only course open to Tibet was to make an agreement with the Chinese Communist regime. As a result, Tibetan officials feel unable either to fight or to flee, and are embittered against the United States, the United Kingdom, and India.
3. Yangpel Pangdatshang said that the rumors of the arrest of Shakabpa were false, and that the latter was serving as photographer to the Dalai Lama.

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